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Device and Process for Preparation Thereof*

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PETITION FOR TWO-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME

Sir:

Applicants hereby petition for a two-month extension of time, from September 6, 2003, up to and including November 6, 2003, pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136(a) for filing an Amendment and Response to Office Action dated June 6, 2003 in the above-identified application.

Enclosed is a check in the amount of \$420.00 for the fee due for this extension of time. Although the Applicants do not believe any further amount is due for this filing, the Commissioner is authorized to charge any further amounts due, or to credit any amounts owed, to our Deposit Account No. 06-1448.

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